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1. CHINA: Li plans new government site on mainland--
 Acting President Li Tsung-jen has informed US Charge
 Strong in Hong Kong that he intends eventually to establish
 a government in Kwangsi Province, stressing that he will
 never agree to a government on Taiwan. Strong doubts,
 however, that the current impasse between Li and Chiang
 Kai-shek can be resolved in Li's favor primarily because:
 (a) Li will be unable to retain the loyalty and services of
 competent people during his planned absence from China;
 and (b) Li's efforts to establish a new government site
 will continue to be complicated by a need for funds.

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